We Support a Laguna Beach City-Wide State Marine Reserve

October 2009

Dear Members of the Blue Ribbon Task Force:

Thank you for overseeing the MLPA process to safeguard our coast for future generations. We are writing to urge you to support the Group 3 proposal, which protects unique and diverse habitats such as Naples Reef, Point Dume, Palos Verdes, Laguna Beach, and south La Jolla.

As residents of Laguna Beach, we are specifically in support of strong protection of Marine Plants and Animals for ALL of Laguna Beach. The coast of Laguna Beach is unique to southern California, and should be protected. The marine ecosystem in this region is known for the beauty of its rocky shores, sheer cliffs, and marine life. This area has extensive surf grass beds, rocky reefs, and is a top destination for non consumptive divers, kayakers, and tourists looking to see marine mammals. Laguna's beaches also support grunion spawns and surf grass beds and the residents of Orange County have worked for years to restore the kelp forests in the area. The city of Laguna has worked hard to position itself as an eco friendly tourist destination. The establishment of a marine reserve for all of Laguna beach will provide significant economic benefits and will be a capstone for the efforts of the many people throughout Orange County that have worked to preserve the natural resources in the Laguna area for all Californians to enjoy.

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With nearly twenty five million residents, southern California needs a strong network of marine protected areas. Without long-term security for critical habitats, we are gambling with our fish, ocean wildlife, and coastal communities. That is not a risk we should take.

Please support the Group 3 proposal, and in particular a SMR for ALL of Laguna Beach, to ensure that our ocean resources will survive for future generations to enjoy.

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